

INEEL Water Integration Project Meeting Minutes

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Attendees:

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Safety Share

West Nile Virus has been confirmed in Wyoming and one case in Boise. West Nile is spread by mosquitoes. Protection from mosquito bites can reduce your risk of contracting the disease. Use repellent, wear long-sleeves and netting for your head and face, limit standing water around your home. West Nile is particularly a problem to horses. A vaccine is available for horses but requires three shots over a period of about two months to build up immunity.

Action Log

The draft Project Execution Plan has been received. Jeff will incorporate comments and modifications.

A draft knowledge search has been received. Al will be talking with Geosciences and has received information from USGS. Marilynne will also check with the University of Idaho.

It was agreed that the draft text for the tour guide would be ready by April 18th. Once the text has been reviewed graphics will format it and add photographs and figures and that version will be ready for DOE-ID review by May 15th.

Final DOE approval of the Conceptual Model Fact Sheet is pending.

The Science Workshop Workbook is in progress. An outline is done. The parts will include: Fact Sheets (existing ones); agenda; speaker profiles; list of ongoing research and descriptions of each project; short history of research - completed projects. A CD with additional information will also be available - for example, the LDRD and ESRA annual reports. Plans are to ship the workbooks by May 6th.

Meeting with Dr. Berkey

Jeff, Jan, Paul, and Doug met with Ed Berkey this morning for an informal review of the Water Integration Project. He provided some excellent feedback on the project and some food for thought, including:

- the science strategy needs to be tied back to specific needs
- the INEEL is not unique, the need for integration is common to other sites
- as the decision is made about whether and how to split the contract, it may be necessary to find additional champions
- the conceptual model process seemed to make sense and add value

Jeff asked the group to pull together their perceptions of changes and course corrections that may need to be made and how to make them for discussion next week.

Also, in preparation for the BBWI Directorate Review Committee, Paul was asked to draft a list of what should be presented to the committee and what we want the review committee to consider. This will also be discussed next week in preparation for the committee meeting at the end of May.

Preparation for Science Workshops

Jan went over the planning for the science workshops, the draft invitation and agenda. John Welhan, Idaho Geological Survey/ISU will do the "Why Science?" presentation. Joe Rousseau, USGS, will cover conceptual models and four speakers (Bruce Becker and Tom Wood, INEEL; Brennon Orr, North Wind; and Joe Rousseau, USGS) will cover the four components of the conceptual model. During the afternoon the group will break up into discussions groups and focus on ongoing research.

Seven hundred names were provided by the Idaho Water Resources Research Institute and the various hosts also provided names. Five hundred fact sheets will be printed. Jan asked Doug to carry the message about the workshops to the Idaho Completion Project, including finding out what feedback would be useful from the workshops, specifically what they would like to know.

Adjourned at 1:45. Next meeting will be April 16th.